IF LIEUT.-GOV. WOODRUPP PINALLY DECLINES A RENOMINATION.

He Tells Mr. Platt That He Cannot Accept. but Would Like to Be Chairman of the State Committee-Mr. Platt Says That He Will Not He Chairman of the Committee, and That Horace White Will Probably Be Nominated for Lieutenant - Governor.

SARATOGA, Sept. 2.-After a day of innumerable conferences and all sorts of informal consultations it may be announced that at a late hour to-night the man likely to be nominsted for Lieutenant-Governor by the Repub-Boan State Convention is Senator Horace White Onendaga It should be borne in mind. though, that Lieut.-Gov. Timothy Woodruff has not yet given his final decision not to accept ation. Mr. Woodruff has, however, told a number of his personal friends to-day that he could not, in view of his recent experiences, afford to accept the nomination. With opinion some of his friends differ. and at midnight they are laboring with him to reconsider it, so that by to-morrow, when he is to say once for all just what he is to do, he third nomination for Lieutenant-Governor. It should be remarked, though, that Mr Woodinformed Mr. Platt that he could not accept the nomination. Anyway, Senator Platt seems to think to-night that Mr. Woodruff is it, and he informed some of his friends that "Senator White of Syracuse will probably be nominated for Lieutenant-Governor."

Senator White is one of the strongest young Republicans in the State. He is a very clever crater and his reputation as a legislator at Albany is of the finest. It has been feared all along that possibly ex-Congressman Belden and his friends in Onondaga county might not view with favor the elevation of Senator White. This impression has been an erroneous one, and to-day it was pointed out that former Attorney-General Theodore E. Hancock and other close friends of Mr. Belden in the county are delegates to this conand all are enthusiastic their belief that Senator White would make a most excellent candidate for Lieutenant-Governor. Then, too, Senator Ellsworth, Senator Higgins, Senator Krum, Senator Hum phrey and nearly all the Republican Senators nation of Senator White. Senator White's speech in the Republican State Convention of two years ago, seconding the nomination of Gov. Roosevelt, was a brilliant oration and gave Mr. White a State reputation instantly, and many have spoken of it outside of the Empire State If Mr. White is nominated for Lieutenant-Governor the Republican State ticket, with Benjamin B. Odell, Jr., at the head, will have two of the finest-looking Republicans in the State, both considered handsome men and both

exceedingly popular. The situation began to crystallize shortly after the breakfast hour this morning. This means rather early and most men in political life are early risers. Senator Platt most of the time is up at dawn. Mr. Odell is not far behind him in this respect, and Lieut.-Gov. Woodruff is up with the chickens. So are Cenous Supervisor Charles S. Wilbur, Senator Elisworth, Senator Stranahan, Senator Krum and men of that stamp. Lieut.-Gov. Woodruff's friends in Brooklyn, almost to a man, began the day where they left off last night, by continuing their requests that he should not accept a renomination for Lieutenant-Governor. They urged that it was not necessary for him and specifically that his political career was ended for all time. Some of these Republicans argued that Mr. Woodruff's activities could be satisfied and gratified in another direction, and after arguments on this line out popped one of the most interesting features of the situation. At first the news conerning it was hardly credited, but eventually it was confirmed, both by Senator Platt and his friends, and then by Mr. Woodruff and his friends. In a word Mr. Woodruff called on Senator Platt and informed him that he did not care to be renominated for Lieutenant-Governor but that he would like to be selected as chairman of the Republican State Committee to succeed Mr. Odell when the Newburgh man nominated for Governor. This announce ment was a great surprise to Mr. Platt and his friends, and later on, when Mr. Odell and his friends heard of Mr. Woodruff's proposition they were more or less startled Then Wil-Ham Barnes, Jr., and his friend from Albany ounty were more or less nettled. Mr. Barnes is chairman of the Executive Committee of the State Committee He and his friends have believed all along that if Mr Odell chairman of the State Committee, Mr Barnes deserved to be promoted It will be recalled that Mr. Odell was chairman of the Executive Committee of the State Committee, and at the death f Charles W. Hackett, who was chairman of the State Committee, Mr. Odell was premoted on this ground. Mr. Barnes and his friends t slightly aggrieved at the proposition of Mr. Woodruff that he (Mr. Woodruff) should be made chairman of the State Committee Mr. Odell retired from the place. They felt all the more displeased when they recalled that only three weeks ago the Albany Evening fournal, of which Mr. Barnes is editor, came with a full-page boom for Mr. Woodruff

for the Republican nomination for Governor. Mr. Platt and his friends caught their breath at Mr. Woodruff's proposition and then fell to Senator Hanna, chairman of the Republican National Committee, has repeatedly urged senator Platt that in the event of Mr. Odell's nomination for Governor he, (Mr. Odell) should not be retired from his place as chairman of State Committee, Senators Hanna and Platt have agreed that Mr. Odell has mapped out a fine campaign in the State for McKinley ed Roosevelt, and while Senator Platt has at differed with Senator Hanna as to the wisdom of retaining Mr. Odell as chairman of e State Committee while being the candidate for Governor, Senator Platt has been rather disposed to defer to Mr. Odell's wishes in the latter. It may be set down as a well authenfact that Mr. Odell sees no necessity or his retirement as chairman of the State Comeven though he is the Republican candidate for Governor. He greatly desires to remain his present place and put in eighteen hours working for the election of the Republional ticket in the State of New York. his position he is supported by some of ngest of Senator Platt's advisers. Men ge W. Dunn of Binghamton and Senas blace as chairman of the com Ex-Congressman Quigg, Col. Michael Walter B Atterbury and others, who v close to Senator Platt, believe Mr. Odell should retire as chairman of ommittee, and in view of the present aation concerning the nomination of Lieu-. Woodruff to be State chairman, although sek and one or two others spoke in the terms of Mr. Barnes. Senator Platt,

Woodruff is not to be chairman of the late Committee, and if he does not to-morrow

There is nothing in the Barnes business jus at the moment and there is not likely to be Mr. Odell and I have had several talks to-day on this subject and all the indications are that he is to remain as chairman of the State Com-

Speaker Frederick Nixon was around to-day saying nice things about his candidate for Lieutenant-Governor, Arthur C. Wade of Chau-tauqua Mr. Nixon and Mr. Wade chatted with Senator Platt, and later on Senator White of Syracuse and Senator Stranahan of Oswego had a talk with the Tioga chieftain on this engrossing subject. Senator Stranahan cannot be considered a full-fledged candidate for Lieutenant-Governor. He has many warm friends in the Republican party and he has an enduring reputation as a legislator and a man of affairs, but he does not seem to have considered himself to be a candidate, and as matterof fact he is very friendly to the candi-

dacy of Sepator White. One of the strangest booms for Lieutenant-Governor was started to-day by means of anonymous letters sent to Mr. Odell, National Committeeman Frederick S. Gibbs and others. The letters were in the interest of Gen. Anson G. McCook of New York city. The letter Mr. Gibbs received said:

will notify Senator Platt that, in obeyance to | DEAR GIBBS: If you want to do one of the best the wishes of his friends, he will accept a things in your political life and help make the State ticket a success, start Gen. Anson G. McCook for Lieutenant-Governor. With Odell as Governor, the representative of the organization, and McCook, with his brilliant army record and independent friendship to represent the other societies, the ticket would be a sure winner. I write this without any knowledge of McCook. He has never done anything for or against me that I know of, but his name would do lots of good to the State ticket, and especially with soldiers, who are a bit sore nowadays. It's the "boss" combination. Work it, and you will go down in history as the original Very sincerely yours,

The letters were submitted to Senator Platt and his friends, but apparently the White boom had got too far under way for any serious consideration to be given to Gen. McCook At midnight Mr. Woodruff ended an extended conference with Frank H. Platt, son of the Senator, and William Berri of Brooklyn. Both Mr. Platt and Mr. Berri believe that Mr. Woodruff should reconsider his decision not to again be the candidate for Lieutenant-Governor, and now that it is known that Mr. Woodruff in any event cannot be chairman of the Republican State Committee young Mr. Platt and Mr. Berri and others hope to urge Mr. Woodfavor in most pronounced fashion the nomi- ruff to accept a third nomination for Lieutenant-Governor. In other words, the effort to induce Mr. Woodruff to accept the nomination contrary to his apparent wishes goes on apace.

Cornelius Vanderbilt eldest son of the late Cornelius Vanderbilt, is to be a delegate to this convention from the Twenty-fourth Assembly district of New York. Many here are interested o know if young Mr. Vanderbilt has aspirations for a political career. He is one of the hardest working young men in the offices of the New York Central Railroad Company. Already he has presented a number of improvements to the modern locomotive.

The Republican Club of New York is to give great reception at its clubhouse, 450 Fifth avenue, on Sept. 10 to the nominees of this Republican State Convention.

The platform was fully discussed this afternoon at a conference attended by Senator Platt, Mr. Odell, Senator Raines, Mr. Quing, Senator Ellsworth and Senator Stranahan. Drafts of the principal planks were submitted and conclusions were reached as to the general shape the platform should take. Senator John Raines of Canandaigua will be chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, and he and Mr. Quigg have been at work on the platforms to accept the nomination, and said that if he | for submission to that committee. It will contain, of course, a strong statement of the party's attitude upon the national issues. Then at considerable length it will deal with State questions. The subject of State revenue and expenditures will be treated with fulness of statement and convincing figures. It will be pointed out that the Raines law, the Transfer Tax law and the Corporation Tax law, all of them Republican measures, produce more than half the revenue needed for State purposes. It will also be shown that Republican economies of administration have had a large part in the marked lowering of the State's annual tax rate, Particular attention will be paid in this connection to the part played by indirect taxation in the raising revenues. The canal question was elaborately discussed at this afternoon's conference and a general reluctance was expressed to putting the party in the position of advocating further large expenditures for canai improvements until the whole question of canal management and improved waterway transportation methods have been investigated. It was agreed that strong ground should be taken with regard to the rights of municipalities to obtain by condemnation the watershed necessary to their ownership of a sufficient water supply. This would effectually curp distinctly approved and the present law sus-

#### LEAGUE OF REPUBLICAN CLUBS. Second Biennial Convention to Meet in Saratoga This Afternoon.

SARATOGA, Sept. 2.—The State League of Republican Clubs is to take a prominent part in this fall's campaign. Last month Frederick Easton of Albany, the President of the League, issued a call for the second biennial convention of the League to meet in the ball room of Congress Hall at 2 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. This convention promises to be largely attended, judging from the responses received by the Secretary of the League from the Republican clubs throughout the State, and it is expected that between 200 and 200 delegates will be present. The Republican State Committee expects great work on the

part of the League this fall, and the Republican leaders are much pleased with the League's slogan this year, "No apathy."

The purpose of the League convention is to elect officers of the League for two years, to select an Executive Committee consisting of one member from each Congress district, to elect delegates to represent this State in the National Republican League Convention to be held in 1902 and to organize thoroughly the State League of Republican Clubs for an aggressive and winning campaign this fall. The convention will adopt ringing resolutions indorsing the national and State administrations. Theodore Cox of Yonkers, a member of the present sub-Executive Committee of the League, is the most preminent candidate for President of the League who has yet appeared. He is a prominent New York city broker and he has been President of the American College League. The delegates will be addressed by a number of prominent Republicans upon the issues of the campaign. can leaders are much pleased with the League's

## TO GO OVER TO MUTUAL RESERVE. Northwestern Life Assurance Company Joins

the New York Organization. CHICAGO, Sept. 2.-The policyholders of the Northwestern Life Assurance Company of Chicago, at a meeting to Willard Hall in the Woman's Temple, yesterday, voted to go over in a body to the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association of New York. It is perhaps the

Association of New York. It is perhaps the largest transfer in the history of life insurance, involving 28,000 policyholders and 865,000,000 of insurance in force. Many thousands of the policyholders live in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Wiscousin and other central States. The session at which the transfer was made was held behind closed doors.

Mrs. Emma Frank, who holds a judgment of 8,953 against the Northwestern Life, after the Willard Hall meeting, asked for a receiver in Judge Chytran's court. Stewart Goodrell was appointed, with a bond fixed at \$250,000. The recent heavy mortality of the company, making a high percentage of loss, is the reason given for the necessity of jeining forces with a larger and more powerful concern. today on fascinating L. I. Sound; see adv. Chester W. Chapta; music; fine restaurant service.—Ads

EXCURSION TRAIN WRECKED ON THE

READING AT HATFIELD, PA.

Party Was Round for Atlantic City by Way of of the Way and the Special Train Dashed Into It-Nearly Forty Persons Hurt Seriously

ALLENTOWN, Pa., Sept. 2.-In a railroad collision at Hatfield, Montgomery county, on the North Pennsylvania branch of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, at 7 o'clock this morning between an excursion train, with between 700 and 800 persons on board, and a milk train standing at the station, nine persons were killed outright and five of those hurt died soon after of injuries. The list of wounded numbers between twenty-five and thirty all well-known citizens, principally of this city and of South Bethlehem. Several of the injured cannot

The list of the dead is: Thomas Day, 29 years old, Allentown; Charles McGonigle, 23 years, Allentown; Ira Ehret, South Bethlehem; William Ehret, South Bethlehem, brother of Ira Ehret; Annie Sheridan, South Bethlehem: Robert Miller, South Bethlehem; Richard Bachman, South Bethlehem Joe Modon, 22 years, of 11 Second street, South Bethlehem; Hugh McGovern, South Bethlehem: William Blackburn, Ambler: Harvey Landis, Hatfield; Mamie Kahlen, Telford; Gottleb Pfalm, Telford: Fred Kahlen, Telford,

Here is a list of those injured seriously: Wilson Crossland, 50 years old, 537 North Broad street, South Bethlehem, passenger fracture of leg and lacerated scalp; Edward Reese, 36 years old, 820 Cedar street, Allentown, injury to leg and contusion of shoulders John Davis, 25 years, engineer of excursion train, 160 Bancroft street, Philadelphia, fractured skull; Albert Wageler, \$1 years old, fireman, excursion train, chest injured, lungs may be injured; John Counan, 32 years old, passenger, Buttonwood street, South Bethlehem, crushed toes: Michael J. Tighe, 34 years old, 631 Front street. Allentown, passenger, burns on the thighs Abraham Transue, 42 years old, of New street, SJuth Bethlehem, Pa., scalp wound, contusion of the back, internally injured; John McHugh, 27 years old, South Bethlehem, passenger, brasion of the leg: Frank Schantz, Allentown, left ankle proken: Fred Schantz, Allentown prother of Frank, right shoulder dislocated and left foot wrenched badly; Walter Flickinger, South Bethlehem, left arm broken, compound fracture of wrist, little finger almost cut off and other fingers badly cut; Granville Sclaucht, saddler, Allentown, two legs broken near the ankles, hurt internally, taken to the hospital; Benjamin Keiser, proprietor of the Cross Key Hotel, Allentown, bruised badly all over the body and hurt internally; C. Lucas Straub, proprietor of the Arcade saloon, Allentown; internal injuries, bruises about the legs and arms; Annie Fetherolf, Allentown, bruised about the body, suffering from shock; Carrie I. Werley, Allentown, right side of face cut and bruised and internally injured, treated at Hatfield; John McLaughlin, Allentown, caught between two seats and legs badly sprained; P. H. McMahon, South Bethlehem; Gertie Burk-South Bethlehem; Mrs. Orn, South Bethlehem: Mrs. James Harrison, South Bethlehem; John Reichley, South Bethlehem; Wiloughby Rosenberger, Hatfield, aged 35, jaw broken and injured internally, taken to his home at Lansdale; Charles Scholl, South Allen-

phia. The special was to have a clear track and as the excursionists were to be landed at the seashore before 9 o'clock in the morning, great speed was necessary. However, a few minutes before the first section pulled out from South Bethlehem, the milk train, which

at all stations, left for Philadelphia. The excursion train soon gained on the train ahead and decreased the distance between the two at every turn of the wheels. The milk train left Quakertown two minutes ahead the Ramapo grab. Civil service reform is of the special and when the latter reached Souderton the milk train had just stopped at natfield, a mile and a half beyond. The milk train was delayed there longer than usual and the operator at hatfield notified Souderton to hold the special train. The latter, however, had passed there and was now rushing at a speed of fifty miles an hour. The two operators had hardly closed their keys when the special train came thundering down the track and crashed into the rear end of the train ahead. The passenger engine plunged through three cars of the milk train and then telescoped the two forward coaches of the special train

which were packed with people. The impact of the special train with the milk train made a fearful noise, but the cars soon settled down, then came a scene of terror For a moment everybody was so dazed as to be almost powerless. Finally, the work of rescue was begun and many of the excursionists who were more or less injured, forgot their pains for the time being and helped to save the unfortunates who were pinned down by the debris. The dead were placed in a row in a field and later were moved to Lansdale. The injured were cared for in neighboring houses until an improvised hospital could be fitted up in a passenger car. all the woundeed were then taken to St. Luke's flospital, South Bethlehem. The dead were in almost every case mutilated, and a few of them were badly burned, the wreck having aught fire. There are only two dectors at Hatfield and help was summoned from the surrounding towns. There were many narrow escapes. Charles O'Brien and Annie Fetterolf of this city were pitched headlong on the tender of the engine, but miraculously escaped death. It is asserted that the accident resulted from the failure of the milk train to send out a flagman. Coroner McGlathery will begin his in-

vestigation to-morrow. ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Sept. 2 .- A cloud of sorrow rests on this famous resort to-night because of the Reading accident. A crowd gathered at the Reading station to welcome the Beth-lehem excursionists. When the news of the accident was received there was much excitement. One of the first to receive news from the scene of the wreck was Lewis Lee. The telegram read:

"Wife and six-year-old bey dead." Mr. Lee lost his first wife and three children in the Johnstown flood.

Only ten of the passengers of the ill-fated first section arrived here. The second section arrived eight hours late. Orders have been received by local railroad men that all ex-

excursionists are remaining here trying to recover from the terrible shock.

Among those who reached this city were two chemists from the Bethlehem Steel Works. One was thrown through a car window and escaped with a few cuts. The other assisted Philadelphia-Milk Train Didn't Get Out in carrying eight bodies from the wreck. By this time both men were overcome. They came here to recover their composure.

### CRASH ON THE JERSEY CENTRAL. Coal Train Breaks in Two-Five Tramps May

He Dead Under the Wreck. PLAINFIELD, N. J., Sept. 2 .- A coal train broke in two to-night on the Jersey Central Railroad, causing a wreck which blocked the four tracks. The engine slowed down after the break and the rear section of the train crashed into the forward part, derailing fifteen cars. On the fourth car from the locomofive were ten negro tramps stealing a ride. Five of them have been accounted for, but the others are missing. It is thought that they may be dead under the wreck.

## GARDINER IN ADIRONDACKS.

District Attorney's Doctor Says He Must Abstain From Business.

Assistant District Attorney John F. McIntyre said last night that Col. Asa Bird Gardiner, the District Attorney, is now in the Adiron-dacks. Just where, Mr. McIntyre declined to tell. He said that Dr. Roberts. Newton, Col. Gardiner's physician, had ordered that Col. Gardiner be not disturbed with any official or private business, no matter how important.

"Three cays ago," said Mr. McIntyre, "Gov. Roosevelt notified me that the Attorney-Gen-Roosevelt notified me that the Attorney-General wanted to reopen the hearing of the charges against Col., Gardiner. Mr. Untermyer, Col. Gardiner's attorney, is in Europe, so I sent Assistant District Attorney Unger to Canada to bring Col. Gardiner as far as Montreal in order that I might get into communication with him and find out what he wanted me to do. When Col. Gardiner started on the journey he declared that he would go through to Albany to be at the hearing at Albany on Saturday and personally answer the arguthrough to Albany to be at the hearing at Albany on Saturday and personally answer the argument of Attorney-General Davies. At Montreal, however, he became very ill and was taken from the train. He was put aboard another train shortly afterward, however, and taken to Westport, where he took another train for the Adirondacks. He is a very sick man, but is not in immediate danger. On Aug. 18 Dr. Newton told him that he would have to take two, months of absolute rest. I believe, however, that Col. Gardiner will not take two months, but will return to the office about Sept 18.

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I was greatly pleased with the way Gov. Roosevelt conducted the hearing at Albany yesterday. It seemed as if he wanted to reach a decision in the case immediately and he urged Mr. Davies not to reopen the case. He finally consented to receive a brief from Mr. Davies. This brief will be sent to me on Wednesday next and I can answer it or not, as I see fit. As soon as the Governor hears from me about the brief, he will release his decision. I believe that this will be some time next week."

MONTREAL, Sept. 2.—Henry W. Unger, Assistant District Attorney of New York, who came to Canada to get Col. Asa Bird Gardiner, was at the Place Viger Hotel to-night. He said he had made inquiries for Col. Gardiner in Montreal, but had not been able to find him and was not as yet aware where he was. and was not as yet aware where he was.

### VERMONT VOTES TO-MORROW. Estimates of Various Men Well Informed

Politics as to the Result. BURLINGTON, Vt., Sept. 2.-The State electon will come on Tuesday. If the Republican majority should be light the Democrats of the country will consider it an omen of success. while on the other hand, should the majority be heavy, the country will take it as an indication that McKinley will sweep the land as he town, slightly burt; Miss Jennie Schaffer, Al- | did in 1896. It is contended that a Republican lentown, both bones of the left leg fractured | majority of more than 30,000 in Vermont will hurt; Charles Heller, Philadelphia, hurt on the head; Annie McLauren, Allentown, leg broken; Annie Edwards, Bethlehem, slightly injured; Alice Moyer, Union street, Bethlehem, slightly hurt: Mr. and Mrs. Laufer, West Bethlehem, William Burkhardt, Easton: John McHugh, South Bethlehem, cut and bruised. The excursion train was made up of people from Allentown, Bethlehem, South Bethlehem and the neighborhood, and was one of three special trains that it was intended to run to Atantic City. A rate of \$1.50 for the round trip was the card that drew the crowd of 1,600 people, alf of whom were packed into the first section. The latter left South Bethlehem shortly after 6 clock. It consisted of ten cars and was to make any stops until it reached Lanssele, midway between this city and Philadella. The special was to last to make any stops until it reached Lanssele, midway between this city and Philadella. The special was to last to make any stops until it reached Lanssele, midway between this city and Philadella. The special was to last the card that drew the crowd of 1,600 people, alf of whom were packed into the first section. The latter left South Bethlehem shortly after 6 clock. It consisted of ten cars and was to make any stops until it reached Lanssele, midway between this city and Philadella. The special was to last the card that drew the crowd of 1,600 people, alf of whom were packed into the first section. The latter left South Bethlehem shortly after 6 clock. It consisted of ten cars and was to make any stops until it reached Lanssele, midway between this city and Philadella. The special was to live the contest in this that they must fight. During the past few days Vermonters and others have been making predictions on the result of the contest in this State. Here are a few of the contest in this State. Here are a few of the contest in this State. Here are a few of the contest in this State. Here are a few of the contest in this State. Here are a few of the contest in this State. Here are a few of the contest in th be a sure sign that Bryan will meet defeat,

# JORED OVER HIS SUICIDE. Man," He Wrote.

CHICAGO, Sept. 2 .- Jacob Kobler was a prac tical joker during his life and when he decided consisted of six cars and was scheduled to stop to end his life last night he did so in a way which fully sustained his reputation. Kobler went to the lake front early in the evening and at the foot of Adams street drove a stake into the ground. Then he took thirty feet of wire and stretching it out tied one end to the stake and with the other he made a loop and passed around his body at the armpits. After

passed around his body at the armpits. After completing these preparations Kobler placed his broad-brimmed felt hat on top of the stake and in the hat band stock a sheet of paper, on which was written:

"At the end of this wire you will find a man." Kobler waded as far out into the lake as the length of the wire would permit and drowned himself. At midnight James Murray, a night watchman employed at the dumping grounds and living at No. 104 Eleventh street saw the stake and lat. He investigated and found the note and notified the police. Policeman Leibny and Richards were sent to the lake front and when they saw the wire and read the note they said:

said: "It's a joke some one is trying to play on us There is probably a log at the other end of the When they caught hold of the wire and drew

# when they caught not of the wire and drew it in they were surprised to see that it was at-tached to the body of a man. A letter disclosed his identity. Kobler lived at \$18 West Twenty-first street and was 60 years old. He left home on last Monday, leaving a note saying he was going to commit suicide. DROWNED IN GRAVESEND BAY.

conard Tommoss, a Church Singer, Had Heart Trouble While Swimming. Leonard Tommoss, 22 years old, of 1934 Eighty-fourth street, Bensonhurst, the son of a decorator, was drowned in Graveso Bay yesterday afternoon In the early afternoon he went with Arthur Romer and Charles Allenton of Rutherford, N. J., on Romer's yacht Madeleine. They anchored off the Brooklyn Yacht Club and Tommoss declared He put on a bathing suit and had been in the water only about five minutes when he shouted for help. Romer and Allenton put out to his assistance in a boat and when Ton-moss came to the surface they held out an oar

out to his assistance in a boat and when Tommoss came to the surface they held out an oar to him. He grasped it, but was too weak to hold on and sank back out of sight. He was not seen again.

The young men reported the drowning to the police. The body has not been recovered. Tommoss was engaged to be married to Miss Maude Clyde, of 534 Quiney street, Brooklyn, the soprano soloist in the choir of the Church of the Incarnation, Brooklyn, in which he was the bass soloist. Tommoss's father said last night that the young man had been suffering with heart trouble for some time and that this had undoubtedly caused his death.

# La Touraine In Nearly a Day Late.

The French liner La Toursine, which arrived vesterday from Havre, was nearly a day behind her usual summer schedule. Her boilers, it is said, are not in condition to permit her to go at full speed Among her passengers were Lieuts. Moale, Oman, Howard and Brumby of the American Navy. They are on leave from

the Asiatic station.

Miss Reilly, the daughter of Capt. Reilly, who was recently killed in China, and Mrs. Mahlon Ogden Jones, whose husband died at Dinard, France, on June 18, were also on the Prenchman. Mr. Jones's body was aboard the in. It will be buried at Woodlawn this after-

INTERVIEW BETWEEN MR. ROCKHILL AND CHINA'S PEACE AGENT.

Li's Desire to Secure Personal Control of the Negotiations With the Powers-His Strong Anti-Foreign Principles-Further Bostilities Are Now Regarded as Unnecessary. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

Prom a staff correspondent of THE SUN.
SHANGHAI Sept. 2.—W. W. Rockhill, the merican Special Envoy, and Li Hung Chang had a long interview at the American Consulate here this morning. An attempt was made to interview Mr. Rockhill subsequently, but he declined to say what had occurred between him and the Chinese statesman.

It is known that Li Hung Chang is bending every energy to obtain some foreign recognition of himself as the sole Chinese Plenipotentiary in the forthcoming negotiations. He has received full power from the Emperor and the Dowager Empress. Those best informed say that Li Hung Chang is intensely anti-foreign and has been increasingly more so in recent уеагя.

William Pethwick, an American, who for years was Secretary to Li Hung Chang, declares that he is completely untrustworthy. Unquestionably he hopes, either through obtaining recognition from one nation, to split the concert of the Powers, or, by being the sole Chinese negotiator, to beat the foreigners through trickery.

So far as fighting the Chinese is concerned, there is no necessity for it. Foreign troops are only required to watch events and to enforce the settlement arrangements.

A high authority on Chinese affairs told the correspondent of THE SUN to-day that the greatest danger in the way of an effectual settlement was the possibility of the Powers accepting some compromise, which is now apparently threatened through the proposition to withdraw the troops from Pekin. He added that there would be no further fighting unless it should come as the result of an injudicious move on the part of some individual There was, however, not the slightest danger that such a conflict would become general.

The best plan, according to the correspondent's authority, would be to persuade the strong Viceroys, like Liu Kun Yi and Chang Shih Tung, to memorialize the Throne, asking that the Emperor and the Dowager Empress return to Pekin, that Prince Tuan, Gen. Tung Fuh Sian and other leaders of the anti-foreign party be executed, and that several of the Viceroys be authorized to negotiate with the Powers for a settlement of the whole question.

#### RUSSIA HARSHLY CRITICISED. English Newspapers Foresee in Manchuria Another Egypt.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. LONDON, Sept. 2.-The text of Russia's instructions regarding her policy in China, which have been sent to the Russian representatives abroad for communication to the various governments, is criticised by the London newspapers in the most hostile manner. It is held that Russia's decision to act independently is calculated to strengthen among the Chinese the belief that the Powers cannot act in harmony and to encourage among the peoples of Europe and America the idea that she is anxious to pose as the special friend of China. It is foreseen, moreover, that even if Russia wished to leave Manchuria "after lasting order is established" this would probably mean that she would remain there indefinitely, like Eng-

land in Egypt. While the press is unantmous against the spirit of Russia's policy, there is no strong objection to the withdrawal of the allied force to a place more accessible in the winter than Pekin, but it is thought that this matter had better await the arrival in China of Field Marshal Count von Waldersee, who is now on the

The Daily Mail's Shanghai correspondent says that, despite assurances to the contrary, China is rapidly drifting toward partition. The action of Russia at Newchwang, the number of German troops and ships ordered to the East and Japan's intervention at Amoy, thus giving notice of a claim on the Province of Fukien, all point in the same direction.

LONDON, Sept. 3.-The Times, commenting on

E"England cannot imitate Russia's course We must remain in Pekin and refuse to treat with the Dowager Empress or her emissaries until she has purged herself of the suspicion that she was the instigator of and the accomplice in murder and destruction. Such a view will not be taken by England slone. It is from Pekin and Pekin only that an

abiding peace can be dictated." The Times counts on Germany also to oppose the withdrawal of the troops, and expresses the hope that the attitude of the United States, as set forth in the despatches of THE SUN, is true.

The Times's St. Petersburg corresponden says that the whole Russian press is greatly satisfled with the Government's declaration of its policy, which fully accords with Russia's traditional course in the Far East. Moreover, it is held that the return of the international headquarters to Tientsin is necessary in view of the difficulty in keeping open the lines of communication and victualling the

The Standard this morning publishes an ed orial on China which ends by saying: "Lord Salisbury will certainly not fail to point out to both Berlin and Washington the objections that exist to a policy of retreat. Our own concern in northern China is less direct than that of some of the other Powers. Even if Pekin abandoned to the old corruption we will still be in a position to protect our interests in those portions of the Empire which are of prime importance to British trade. We desire that nothing be done to disintegrate the concert, but we retain freedom of action."

#### PRINCE CHING WANTS TO RETURN. Diplomats Likely to Ask Rim to Come Pekin and Explain Things.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. St. Petersburg, Sept. 2.—The Official Mesenger publishes a despatch from M. De Giers, the Russian Minister to China, dated Pekin, Aug. 20, via Taku, Aug. 24 which refers to the hitherto unconfirmed rumor that Prince Ching has been appointed Regent. It appears from the despatch that Prince Ching wishes to re turn to Pekin, but is afraid to do so while the foreign Ministers will not guarantee his liberty. Consequently ten dignitaries who remained in the capital have resolved to urge Senor de Cologan, the Spanish Minister and dean of the diplomats at Pekin, that, with a view to ameliorate the situation, Prince Ching be invited to return to Pekin and give explana-

#### THE SULTAN'S JUBILEE. Reception at the Palace and a Dinner in Honor of Diplomats and Delegates.

Special Cable Desputch to THE SUN. CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 2 - Yesterday's celebration of the Sultan's jubilee was carried out according to programme. The Sultan did not appear in public. There was no ceremonial outside the palace, where a reception was given to the diplomats and jubilee delegates, in whose bonor his Majesty gave a dinner to-night.

# WILITE FOR SECOND PLACE | accept a renomination for Lieutenant-Governor | 14 KILLED IN A COLLISION. | Cursion tickets from Bethlehem are good on he will be all right. He will cause no trouble. | 14 KILLED IN A COLLISION. | Philadelphia trains. Many of the | SPECIAL ENVOY MEETS LI. | NEW RULE IN THE PHILIPPINES. | THE LOOTING OF PEKIN. crease of Customs Receipts.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. Manilla, Sept. 2.-The announcement of the Philippine Commission that it was about to assume legislative and appointive powers under the decree of President McKinley has pleased the business community. The commission will apply municipal government, first in Pampanga, gradually extending it to the neighboring provinces. It expects to establish civil government in Manila within eighteen months. The military authorities have trans ferred \$6,000,000 Mexican to the civil treasury. This money will probably be spent for harbor improvements and on roads, which the country greatly needs.

The customs receipts for the last quarter were one-half larger than for any corresponding period under the Spanish régime.

Local native courts are promised, and the system of instruction will be improved. Northern Luzon, where there are 2,500 soldiers, remains quiet, showing the benefit of permanent garrisons.

Gen. Cailles recently executed a peaceful Presidente and other officials of the town of Bay in southern Luzon The situation in the small Visayan Islands

is gradually improving. In Mindanao and the Sulus there is a better condition of affairs.

#### PASSENGERS FROM PLAGUE PORT. City of Rome Outside From Greenock-Thermometers Await Her at Quarantine.

The Anchor Line steamship City of Rome. with about 1,000 cabin and steerage passengers, chiefly from Glasgow, arrived last night and anchored outside the bar. She sailed on Aug. 25 from Greenock, which is about twenty miles down the Clyde from Glasgow. Her Glasgow passengers reached her by rail to Greenock Health Officer Doty was prepared last night to make an examination of ship and passengers n case she should have come up to Quarantine. He will board her this morning with a large staff of assistants and, if necessary, will take the temperature of every passenger. He recived from the Board of Health yesterday fourteen thermometers to add to his stock at quarantine.

According to the latest despatches from Glasgow the bubonic plague there is increasing. It is thought that there will not be any cases abourd the City of Rome, as she is kept in excellent condition. If any passengers are held it is likely that they will be forced to stay only a few days in Quarantine. Dr. Doty said last night that he could not say what would be done with the steamship until she got to Quarantine and he found out whether or not she had any suspicious cases aboard.

#### NEGROES MOBBED IN CHICAGO. They Cut Two of Their Own Race and a White Mob Got After Them.

CHICAGO, Sept. 2.- The quick run of a patrol wagon and the smart unloading of its force of officers at midnight saved two negroes to-night from the hands of a white mob that was maddened to the point of lynching the colored men. In a fight at Sixty-first street and Wentworth gvenue the two had slashed two other negroes with razors. A mob quickly gathered.

A riot call to the Englewood police station brought the wagon and six men, headed by Sergts, Storen and Delahanty. They made a charge, using clubs and revolvers to awe the mob, but even by free display of their weapons they had great difficulty in reaching the negro prisoners, who were then struggling for their

When the policemen were finally successful police station in order to get away from the | quently received a despatch from the Chinese crowd. The men wounded by the prisoners were pronounced probably fatal.

The prisoners were severely beaten by the mob before being rescued by the police.

#### ROUGH RIDER HARDWICK ALIVE Body of a Man Found Near El Paso Had Been Buried as His.

EL PASO, Tex., Sept. 2.-About a year ago S. Hardwick, one of Roosevelt's Rough Riders, who served through the Cuban campaign, was in the hospital here with fever, and suddenly disappeared. He could not be found anywhere, but six days after his disappearance the dead body of a man was found near the city and identified as the body of Hardwick. Fo-day Capt. H. F. Bloom of the Customs Service returned from a trip down in Mexico and reported that at Salado, Mex., he met Hardwick, who is in excellent health. Hardwick says he was delirious with fever when ne left the El Paso hospital, and was sick in Me, ico when he recovered consciousness. He is a native of New Mexico.

#### WOMAN MURDERED IN HARLEM. Rosie Livowitz, Stabbed in the Breast, Dies Instantly-Slayer Arrested.

Mrs. Rosie Livowitz, 40 years old, of 206 East Ninety-eighth street, was stabbed in the right breast early this morning by Antonio Maestingo, 42 years old, of 2662 First avenue. She died soon afterward. Maestingo was arrested and locked up in the East 101th street station.

# FIRE SWEEPS ATLIN CITY.

Business Part of the Town Burned Last Sunday-No Insurance.

VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 2.—News reached here to-day that the business part of Atlin City was burned last Sunday. Ten buildings were entirely destroyed. The loss is placed at \$40,000, without insurance.

### CAR KOWDIES MET THEIR MATCH. Tackled a Cop in Flain Clothes Who Made Them

Sorry for It.

Two intoxicated men greatly bothered the passengers of an uptown Third avenue trolley car last night by swearing at everybody who got on or off the car. At Seventieth street Policeman Donnelly of the Mulberry street station, who was in plain clothes and was accompanied by his wife, left the car. The roughs cursed him and Donnelly told them to keep civil tongues in their heads or they would regret it. The two jumped off the car and made a rush at Donnelly. He banged their heads together and gave them a thrashing One managed to escape, but Donnelly hauled the other to the East Sixty-seventh street station, where he was locked up on a charge of as ault. The prisoner said he was Patrick Collins, a laborer, of 442 East Seventy-second street.

#### EXPLOSION ON A STEAM LAUNCH. The Peter Delacer Badly Damaged-Engineer Burned, but Stuck to His Post.

HACKENSACK, N. J., Sept. 2,-The steam launch Peter Delacey, owned by John Ryan, proprietor of the Mansion House, Hackensack, narrowly escaped destruction by fire this afternoon when in midstream at Little Ferry, due to an explosion that scattered the burning coals all over the floor of the launch Engineer J. E. Huyler was badly burned about the face, but he stuck to his post The guests, Messrs Frank Bennett, Joseph R Richards and E. C. Humphrey, became excited, Bennett attempted to jump into the river. His friends restrained him. Elmer Mehrhof rowed out from the shore and towed in the disa-

# are within from two to fifteen minutes of the New York Central's Grand Central Staden, New York, No wonder club men travel on the New York Cen-

BRITISH GENERAL SAID TO HAVE GIVEN HIS CONSENT.

Report That Troops of One Power Have Even Begun to Plunder Imperial City-Many Chinese Families Committing Suicide -Story of Killing of Fifty Missionaries.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Sept. 3 .- The Standard prints a despatch, dated Tientsin, Aug. 24, saving that after the relief of the legations Gen. Gaselee, on the suggestion of Sir Claude Macdonald, the British Minister, raided the carriage park and seized the State vehicles and chairs and also a quantity of silver that was buried there.

Gen. Gaselee has withdrawn his restrictions regarding looting, like the other commanders, but insists that the looting shall be orderly and that the proceeds be pooled for the common benefit. The present situation in the capital appears

to be one of stagnation. The Generals are inclined to give the Chinese a chance to surrender, and not to destroy valuable property. An epidemic of suicide has broken out among the Chinese in Pekin. Families of eight and

ten persons are destroying themselves, generally by hanging. The Imperial city has been formerly divided in writing among the Powers, but it has not yet been occupied. It is reported that the

troops of one Power have already entered and begun looting. It is stated that the Dowager Empress has sought the protection of Lu, Governor of Shansi and ex-Governor of Shantung. Lu is believed to have put to death fifty-one missionaries. It is stated that he so informed the Empress a

#### while ago. PILLAGING IN AMOY.

#### All the Inhabitants Who Are Not Too Poor in Flight.

# Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

MAMOY, Aug. 30.-The exodus of the inhabitants of this city continues. Those leaving lock their houses, taking little with them. Many of the deserted houses have been pillaged. There is general depression. Ships still load and discharge, but only the poverty of the dock laborers prevents them from fleeing. The American gunboat Castine has arrived here. The British, Germans, Russians and French each have a ship in the port, while the Japanese have three.

#### WAR NOT EXPENSIVE TO RUSSIA. Her Minister of Finance Denies That He Is Negotiating a Loan.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN Paris, Sept. 2.—In an interview with a representative of the Temps, Mole Witte, Russian Minister of Finance, declared that events in China were not expensive to Russia, which country had permanently in Siberia 170,000 troops. She is now taking only some 20,000 from Russia proper. He added that he had no thought of contracting a loan for Russia in

# LI KNEW OF RUSSIA'S PLAN.

Paris or elsewhere.

Was Also Informed That German Troops Would Get Out of Pekin.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Sept. 3 .- A despatch from Shangha to the Times, dated Aug. 31, says that Li Hung Chang received on Aug. 30 a telegram from the Chinese Minister at St. Petersburg saying that Russia would i-sue instructions in placing the colored men in the patrol wason | without delay for her troops to leave Pekin and the horses were driven at a mad pace to the return to Tientsin. Li Hung Chang subse-Minister at Berlin, saying that Germany was

#### prepared to cooperate with Russia LEGATIONERS WERE NOT STARVING. Had a Fair Supply of Food and Even Luxuries

When They Were Relleved. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Sept. 3 .- A Shanghai despatch to the Times says that two American correspondents who left Pekin on Aug. 21 with a party of forty Americans arrived at Shanghai on Saturday. They say that the legations on the day they were relieved showed no signs of acute distres. The total food supply, including luxuries, was still considerable.

# HOSTILE SPIRIT AT NANKIN.

Foreigners Molested Because of the Landing of Troops at Shanghai, Special Cable Despatch to THE SUR.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 2 -A report from Nankin says that owing to the drought the rice crop is a failure. Foreigners have been molested, and there is excitement among the natives owing to the continual landing of foreign troops at

# WAITING TO HEAR FROM THE POWERS. There Is a Settled Belief That Germany Will

Not Consent to Withdraw From Pekin. Washington, Sept. 2.—This has been a quiet day for State, War and Navy Department officials. The only message of interest received was one from Consul-General Goodnow at Shanghai, to the effect that the Amoy incident could be considered closed. This referred to the disturbances at Amov a week ago, when a Japanese temple was destroyed by rioters, and the apprehension by the foreign Consuls there of

Japanese temple was destroved by rloters, and the apprehension by the foreign Consuls there of further troubles. Japanese marines were landed to protect the interests of that country, and this act gave rise to suspicions of Japan's motives. Subsequently the Tok to authorities announced their intentions of withdrawing the marines as soon as there was no danger of a renewal of the attacks, and Mr. Goodnow's message is taken to mean that order has been restored and the troops withdrawn.

There were no new developments, it was stated, in the negotiations regarding China. The Administration is awaiting the replies of the other Powers to its note.

There is a settled belief that Germany will not agree to withdraw. Should this prove true it is expected the other Powers will agree to withdraw. From unofficial advices this is probably what will be the decision of the Powers regardless of Germany's stand. The next step to be taken efter this is settled is being discussed by the President and his advisers. It was Japan's suggestion that two other viceroys be designated by the Imperial Government to act as peace envoys with LI Hung Chang. This meets with favor by this Government to act as peace envoys with IA Hung Chang. This meets with favor by this Government to act as peace envoys with LI Hung changer, and it is expected that it will remove to be distrusted in some quarters. This Government will, it is said, appoint a peace commissioner, Minister Conger probably, with an assistant who will be Mr. Rockhill. Minister Conger has not mentioned his health in any of his despatches execut to say "All are well," and he has not indicated any desire to be called home for a rest. The President and members of the Cabinet all wish to have Minister Conger's desire in this matter carried out, and if he will accept the mission it will undoubtedly be given him.

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No alarm is felt here on account of the broken means of communication with Pekin. A War Department official said to-day that it would not take more than one Boxer to cut the telegraph line and that a small band of roving mauraders could keep the line cut for some time. Although the Departments will be closed; to-morrow on account of Labor Day, Secretary Root and acting Secretary of State Adde will be at their offices.

#### Shanghai Celebration Abandoned Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

SHANGHAL, Sept. 2 -The proposed celebration here in honor of the relief of the legations at Pekin has finally been abandoned in defer-ence to the consular and military fears that it would provoke disturbances.

No Orders Issued for the Withdrawal of Our Troops From Pekin.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.—Secretary Root mys